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Faculty Senate discusses smoking ban

BY ANNE MILLER
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The Faculty Senate will examine a proposal to ban smoking in all University buildings except residence halls next semester.

"We in the committee have identified it as a topic we want to pursue," said John Eftis, chair of the Senate's administrative matters committee. "We will look into the ramifications of what is involved in trying to make the University smoke free ... smoking isn't healthful and therefore is something we'd like not to have."

Eftis said efforts by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, which is looking to ban smoking in all workplaces, was the impetus to consider doing away with smoking in campus buildings.

The committee tentatively said



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Smoking students and faculty will be confined to the street or their residences if the Faculty Senate smoking ban idea takes effect.

the ban would encompass all buildings owned or leased by the University, with the possible exception of the residence halls.

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1995 lottery slated for an earlier date

Change will prepare ORL for room shortages

BY JUSTIN BERGMAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The 1995 residence hall housing lottery will be held before spring break next year and the Residential Hall Association will be prepared to handle room shortages, RHA President David Cleary said.

Paul Barkett, assistant director of the Office of Residential Life, said the in-hall room lottery will be moved up to Tuesday, March 7 and the all-hall room lottery will start about noon Sunday, March 12.

Barkett said the changes were made because the RHA and the students felt the lottery was held too late in the semester in the past, and they wanted to know where they would be living before going on spring break.

Cleary said RHA scheduled the all-hall lottery on a Sunday "so people aren't up until 3 a.m." again. He said the lottery process could begin in the morning or afternoon and last all day.

Louise Hayden, a sophomore living in Mitchell Hall, said she hopes the lottery runs more smoothly than it did last year.

"I'm glad they're moving it to a Sunday," she noted, "Last year I was up until four in the morning, and I still didn't have a place to stay. In fact, I didn't know where I was living until the middle of the summer."

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Doctors who cloned embryos violated protocol, GW says

Physicians did not get patients' consent, University claims

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Medical Center doctors who made international headlines last year for successfully cloning human embryos broke University requirements for proper patient consent.

Robert Stillman and Jerry L. Hall, of the GW Medical Center's In Vitro Fertilization Programs, have been charged with violating University protocol on such research. A GW investigation earlier this year has shown that they did not get proper consent from the patients to use their embryos.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has instructed Stillman and Hall to destroy all information obtained from this research because of this breach.

They also will be monitored for two years to "ensure that their research complies with all applicable requirements," according to a University statement.

Hall resigned from GW in September for reasons the

University would not disclose. Stillman, who is still on the University's faculty, was out of town this week and unavailable for comment.

The two doctors made worldwide news last October after they successfully replicated abnormal human embryos. Cloning involves splitting embryos and letting them grow identically, a process that had only been achieved in animals before Hall's work.

The doctors' work quickly ignited a debate about the ethics of such research and sparked discourse about widespread cloning.

Hall had said at a press conference last October that the research was conducted to help infertile couples, not as a stepping stone to future mass cloning.

"We are a long distance from being able to apply this to normal embryos," he said at the press conference last year.

Stillman emphasized to the University that the research involved nonviable embryos and "did not affect in any way the

health or safety of the donors," the GW statement said. Both doctors said last October they did not plan to continue this research nor did they ever intend to implant the embryos.

The University has charged that the doctors did not get the permission of the medical center's Institutional Review Board, a group reviewing requests for research involving humans, before conducting the experiment.

Hall had been replicating abnormal embryos in test tubes since 1991, according to National Public Radio, which obtained documents from the National Institutes of Health through a Freedom of Information Act request.

GW, which funded this research, voluntarily submitted the information to the NIH, which reviews experiments involving humans.

Hall did not notify his superior, Stillman, of the experiments until February 1993, NPR said.

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photo by Claire Duggan

One of many fraternity house "shoe trees" on campus. This tree is in front of the Delta Tau Delta house across from Lisner Hall on G Street.

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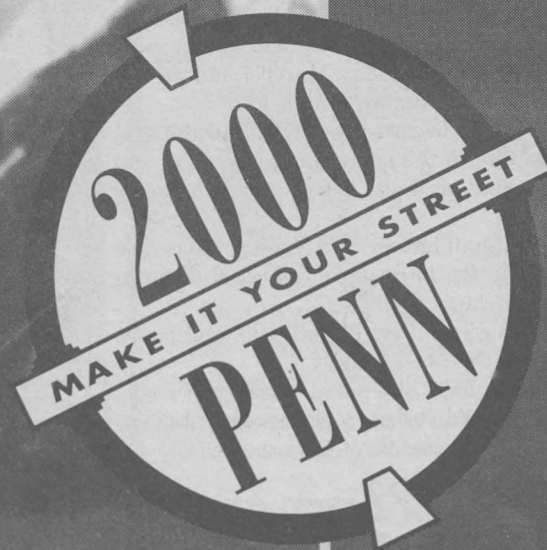
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Honor code project 'still on timeline'

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

Students and faculty working on the proposal for an honor code at GW say they may have to adjust their timeline for making the code a reality, but progress is still being made.

"We're still on the declared timeline," said Student Association Sen. Scott Mory (CCGSAS), a member of the committee working on the proposal. However, he added that it was an "extremely ambitious timeline" and that changes may need to be made in order to do a thorough job on the proposal.

"Apathy is somewhat killing the project," Mory said, adding that this problem might delay a planned referendum on the code in the spring. "We won't go ahead with a referendum when we've only gotten (input

from) a few hundred students."

"We may have to make adjustments to adjust our timeline to reality," Margaret Kirkland, faculty committee chair, said. "We set some very ambitious goals."

Kirkland said the group's biggest priority right now is to "make (the honor code) a more visible subject," getting more input from more students and gaining additional support.

"When (many) students want something to happen, it usually does," Kirkland said.

Committee members have spent the last two months meeting with groups of students, faculty and administrators to discuss the proposal and look at necessary changes.

Kirkland said the committee finished meeting with faculty members recently. Mory met with a large

number of student organizations earlier in the semester to get their opinions.

"There have been concerns, but largely there has been a favorable response," Kirkland said. "There are some things that were foggy to other people, which we hadn't realized before, so we will be working to clarify things."

The committee will be meeting Friday to begin compiling the input they have received, making changes and writing a new draft.

Mory said the new draft will likely be available when students come back for winter break.

SA Sen. Graham Klemm (SBPM), another committee member, said he hoped to see the spring referendum go ahead as planned. "It would solidify the community's desire for an honor code, with a specific draft this time," he said.

Firefighters 'wait and see' for possible G St. closing

Last week District officials recommended that the D.C. Fire Department close the Foggy Bottom station on G Street. But firefighters will have to "wait and see" the end result, a District Fire Department spokesman said.

No closings are certain until sometime after the full City Council votes on fire department funding Dec. 15, Capt. Alvin Carter said.

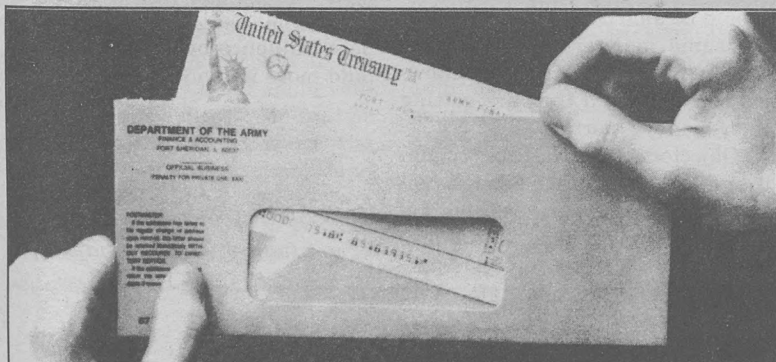
"Currently we are not (closing any stations)," Carter said.

Carter said there "is a possibility" of the Foggy Bottom station closing, but officials have not made a final decision.

The proposed \$2 million cut is small compared to those in recent years when the department faced as much as \$100 million in cuts.

All stations that remain open will continue to operate 24 hours a day, Carter said.

-Douglas Parker



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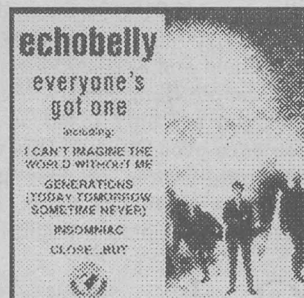
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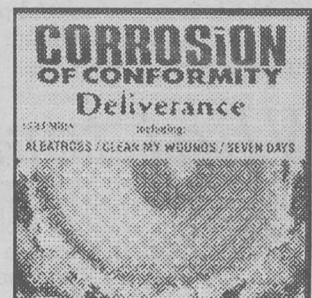
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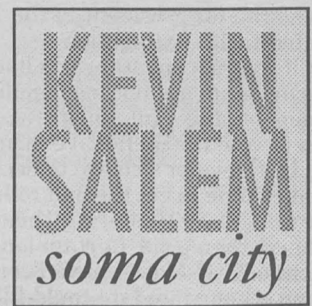
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Moral dilemma

GW embryo cloners Robert Stillman and Jerry L. Hall are in the news again. It is not because they took another giant step toward a better understanding of genetic cloning, and it is not because they won the Nobel Prize. Instead, the scientists who took widely recognized steps to further genetic cloning are in the spotlight because the work they did not follow proper procedure and has been, or soon will be, totally destroyed.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg is squelching the data that was recorded from this historic research. The reason: the doctors did not follow the Institutional Review Board's guidelines to get donors' consent.

Hall began his research two years before review board approval, even though some medical experiments call for background work and a strong thesis before a presentation to the board. Hall has left the University, and Stillman has been disciplined.

It took the researcher years to accumulate this data. By destroying it, the progress may have been set back, but in the University's view, the doctors acted irresponsibly and should be punished. Instead, the whole scientific community is being punished.

It seems now most of their work is lost. But that is not all that is unjust. Trachtenberg's orders to destroy their research came in June, eight months after the researchers broke the news to the world. But no one knew anything about these disciplinary actions until this week, when National Public Radio unearthed this coverup through information obtained from a Freedom of Information Act request. GW was all too eager to showcase these doctors when they went public last October, but when something went wrong, the University clammed up.

Not only has Trachtenberg stifled important data, but he also appears to have hidden his actions from the public. This was a horrendous move that already is starting to backfire. Though the issue of the pursuance of scientific knowledge is the real problem here, GW will look like a moral judge that casts its decisions from high, destroying what it views as unethical.

There is no doubt these researchers made a unwise decision when they began to research without the consent of the University or the patients. There is protocol that must be followed, and these doctors should have been strongly reprimanded for their misconduct. Some may believe a firing, a suspension, a fine or even a removal of their right to practice medicine may have been appropriate – but don't erase their data. No viable embryos were lost because of this research, and quashing the data serves no real purpose, except showing that universities such as GW can determine what is and what is not a medical breakthrough worth preserving.

What term limits?

Talk of term limits is all the rage on the Hill this year. Several states have passed laws preventing incumbents from becoming permanent residents in Congress. But despite all the rhetoric, last month's election proved that this country does, indeed, have naturally occurring term limits. They are called elections.

Admittedly, certain members of Congress have served for far too long. Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.), the 92-year-old who ironically supported term limits, says he will seek re-election in 1996. This is the man who ran for president in the 1940s as a Dixiecrat – the party that advocated racial segregation.

But if voters want stalwarts like Thurmond, that's what they should get. Incumbents are not too popular these days, as the high number of freshmen on the Hill illustrate. Pundits say voters are not smart enough to vote the ineffective members of Congress out of office. But it should be the voter's choice to decide who will be re-elected to office.

It takes time to get the ball rolling when a senator or representative enters Congress. Hindering their progress by term limits would do more harm than good. Certain long-time members of Congress such as Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.) have been invaluable to their states. In some cases, no other candidate could fill their shoes.

When voters tire of their members of Congress, they will vote them out. It's just that simple.

The answer to tax reform? Institute a flat income rate

With the new Republican Congress ready to implement its agenda, tax reform will, at long last, be near the top of the list. The current progressive income tax system is antiquated, and it ought to be overhauled. Since the inception of the income tax in 1913, abuse by congressmen, lobbyists and wealth redistributors have turned the tax code into a labyrinth so convoluted that billions of man-hours and dollars are wasted every year on the unproductive activity of tax compliance. As a result, the rate of taxation is high, loopholes are prevalent and families are burdened as never before. In 1948, the average family sent one out of every \$50 earned to Washington, it now sends one out of \$4. American families now pay more in taxes than they spend on food, housing, transportation and clothing combined. The reason that many families need to wage earners is not to support themselves, but instead to support their government.

To ameliorate these problems Rep. Dick Armey of (R-Texas) has introduced a bill that would scrap our existing income tax on individuals and corporations. In their place would be a flat tax of 17 percent. All income would be taxed once – and only once – at a rate of 17 percent, when fully phased in by 1997. There would be no deductions, save a \$5,300 per child deduction and a personal allowance of \$13,100 for individuals, \$17,200 for a single head of household and \$226,200 for a married couple filing jointly. Meaning that you are only taxed on what you earn over \$13,100; this would eliminate scores of poor people from having to pay taxes. For a business, expenses are subtracted

from revenues and the result if positive, is taxed at 17 percent. With a tax this simple a return could fit on the size of a postcard and be completed without a passel of lawyers and accountants.

The underlying tenet of the flat tax is fairness: everyone should be treated the same. Rather than leave the decision of who pays more or less tax to the capriciousness of politicians, the flat tax sets a single, objective standard.

The flat tax has the ingenious provision that would eliminate income tax withholding. Because

S. Andrew Colson

the fact that most income taxes are taken directly out of a taxpayer's paycheck, the amount of tax that a person pays is for the most part unnoticed by the taxpayer. Withholding is one of the most sinister schemes the feds in Washington ever devised; by taking your money before you even see it, it is implied that the money is not actually yours, but the government's. Without withholding, it is improbable that the government could have grown into its current state of corpulence. Taxpayers should be able to pay their taxes in the same manner in which they pay their other bills, thereby allowing them to see if they are getting their money's worth.

Objectors to a flat tax claim that it will not bring in enough revenue to maintain current spending levels. Of course, using static projections this is true. However, static estimates do not take into

account the inevitable economic impact: increased economic growth and jobs as a result of more money in economy for savings, investment and consumption, which will lead to more reported income and a larger tax base. The flat tax was not introduced to be revenue-neutral; it was designed to be fairer, simpler, neutral and to force government to control its appetite (unless there is something in the makeup of government that cannot control its intake, perhaps a gene or something). If revenues fail to meet spending "requirements," then spending should be cut. After all, there are two sides to every equation.

Another complaint is that a flat tax would equate to a tax cut for the wealthy. Yes, it is true that the wealthy will send less of their money to Washington, but what will they do with that money? Will they hoard it and stash under a mattress never to see the light of day? Obviously not. The money will be invested (making funds available for investors and job creators, and thereby lowering interest rates) or spent (putting money into the economy and keeping people employed and producing more jobs).

The flat tax merits the immediate attention of Congress. If Congress and the president are truly serious about reforming government, a flat tax would accomplish many of the ends advocates of reform support: less government, less influence by special interests, and more individual freedom.

S. Andrew Colson, a second-year graduate student, is majoring in taxation.

Gelman deserves more credit

Imagine my surprise to discover through the editorial in the Dec. 5 Hatchet ("Second-rate library," p. 4) that not only was Gelman characterized as a "second-rate library," but also that both University of D.C. and The American University were characterized as possessing "vastly superior" libraries to Gelman. This judgment differs dramatically from what we hear from UDC and AU students who use Gelman for their research needs!

Does Gelman own within its collections all the materials you identify when researching a topic? Of course not. No single university library can claim such a collection. But how does Gelman actually compare to the other libraries in the Washington Research Library Consortium?

The most recent comparative data for WRLC shows that at the end of June 1993, GW had the largest collection of any member institution – more than 1.2 million volumes. Catholic was second largest with almost 1.1 million, and AU and UDC were far behind with almost 600,000 and 500,000 volumes, respectively. What about journal subscriptions? Gelman subscribed to more than 8,000 current serials; Catholic was second with just more than 6,000, and AU and UDC had almost 5,000 and 2,100 respectively. Of course, volume and title counts don't mean anything if you can't find what you need when you need it.

GW participates in WRLC, including providing a

shared catalog of the holdings of all seven member institutions on ALADIN, in order to leverage and expand what we can own at Gelman and give students and faculty members ready access to materials at all the libraries. Can we deliver those materials as quickly as we would like to? No. Staff at the member libraries are working hard to identify and remedy the reasons why we can't typically deliver items you request within a few days. For now, please plan ahead if you do not find it convenient to go directly to other WRLC to borrow and use their unique materials. Do your preliminary research and submit your requests for materials from other libraries as your first step. Allow time for processing and delivery. WRLC statistics for 1993-94 show that 80,000 items were borrowed directly at WRLC libraries by students and faculty members from other institutions, and 11,000 were provided through the Consortium Loan Service. A lot of researchers are successfully using the collections of WRLC libraries you can, too.

Do we want and need to continue to improve Gelman's collections, services and facilities? Of course. In 1994-95 alone, the University administration has allocated a supplemental \$750,000 to Gelman Library for additional purchases relating to collections and their access and delivery. Of that amount, about \$250,000 was allocated in recognition of the largest

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Alumni woes

For the past six years I have had a wonderful experience both as an undergraduate and now at GW in the master's program. I have had only positive things to say about this University and my experiences here have been extremely rewarding. In addition, I have not had any confrontations with any GW employees, as I have always been treated with understanding and kindness. However, this situation has changed.

GW tuition is extremely high, and I am not in a position to contribute beyond full tuition cost. I therefore requested that my name be removed from the GW alumni mailing list, because after six years of accumulated University costs, I do not plan on donating in the future. This legitimate request has catapulted into a situation that has left me feeling offended and insulted by the GW administration.

In response to my request, I received a letter telling me that I was placed on the alumni office's "no mail ever, no solicitation" list. I then received another letter from Vice President of Alumni Affairs Michael Worth. I assumed the letter would include some type of apology. I was wrong. The intention of his letter was to get me to change my mind about contributing in the future. He said he hoped my "anger" toward the University would diminish and that "all of us" here at GW "are under some obligation to try and sustain" this institution. I was

baffled by his letter, as I have never expressed any anger toward the University (I would not have stayed here for graduate school if I did not like it here), and I simply feel under no obligation to contribute. I know Worth was doing his job and is, of course, entitled to his beliefs, but I could not believe that I would still be getting a sales pitch. I wrote him a letter trying to clarify my viewpoints and I sent a copy to President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg as a means to keep him abreast of GW concerns.

I consequently received a response from Trachtenberg that again perturbed me. He wrote "Fair is fair ... Life is a two way street" and asked me to "remove his name from my c.c. list", mirroring my request to be removed from the alumni office mailing list. An acknowledgment for my concerns was blatantly overlooked.

All I wanted was to have my name taken off a mailing list. I consider myself a customer of the University and should be treated with the respect that a paying customer gets when he or she goes shopping. The administration is currently making me extremely disillusioned, and my opinion of the University has been altered. Am I being treated this way because I am not giving financial contributions or because this is actually the overall feeling that the administration has toward its students?

-Jennifer R. Abodeely

Keep the station

On the front page of the Dec. 5 issue of The GW Hatchet, I could not help to notice the article "Local Fire Station May Close." In the article the closing of the "historic Foggy Bottom fire station" was addressed, along with the impact that the closing will have on the GW and Foggy Bottom community. The article quoted Lt. James Talbert of the D.C. Fire Department as saying that a majority of the calls received were for emergency medical situations, and that the future response times for these calls will be adversely effected by the closing. As a matter of fact, on the average, 80 percent of the calls that the D.C. Fire Department receives are medical related. I was happy to see that The Hatchet took the initiative to approach this important topic, which will effect the entire Foggy Bottom community.

Recently, a group of students from the Emergency Medical Services Degree program of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences has been working to form a student association that will meet the needs of any student who has an interest in emergency medicine, whether they be undergraduate or graduate, pre-med or med, science majors or liberal art majors, deeply involved in EMS

or someone who would like to know a little more about emergency medicine. One of the goals of the association is to provide GW with a rescue squad, run and operated by students that will be on call and ready to respond to any EMS situation 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Universities all across the country, including University of California at Santa Barbara, Brown, Stanford, Kent State, Tufts, Vanderbilt, Brandeis and Georgetown, just to name a few, support college-based EMS groups.

The closing of the Foggy Bottom fire station may not have an immediate impact on GW, but the first time that a life threatening medical emergency occurs and no one is there to help until it is too late, perhaps even 10 or 20 minutes after the call is placed, it will. I just hope that GW's reaction to this problem is not too little, too late.

It is my hope that we will have the full support of this institution in the operations of both the Emergency Medical Services Student Association and the GW Rescue Squad. First there was an interest and now more than ever there is a need. We look forward to seeing you around campus in the spring of '95.

Jay Abbott,
president of the Emergency
Medical Services Student
Association.

Labor woes

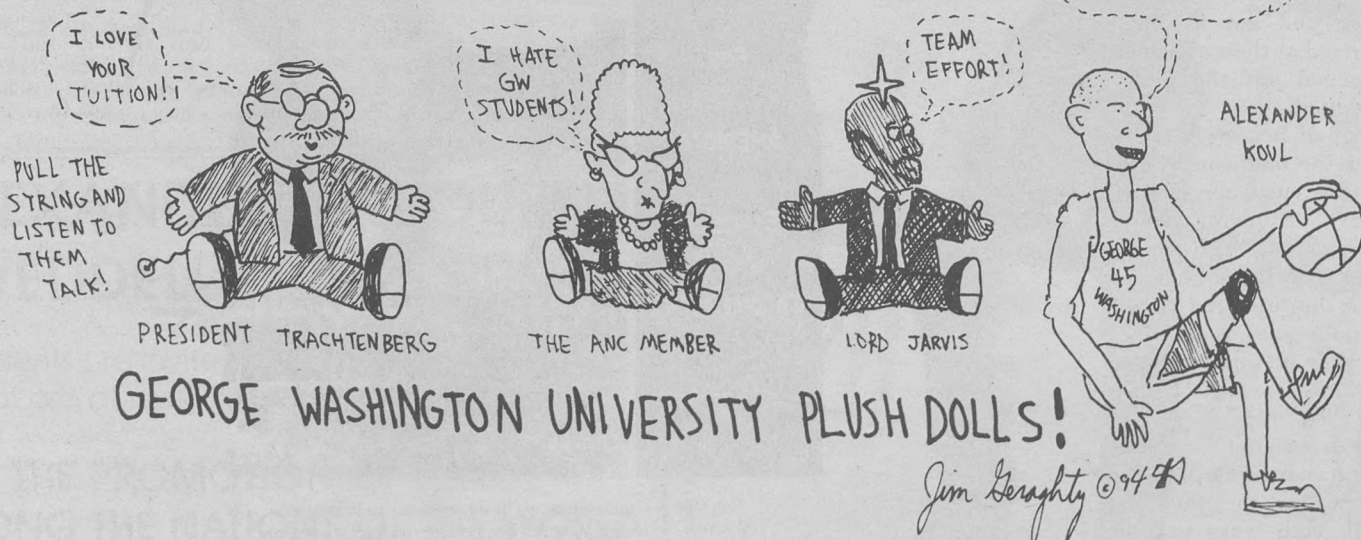
I have read Walter Gray Sr.'s letter with amusement ("Labor disputes," The GW Hatchet, Dec. 5, p.4). Gray's letter indicates that the reduction in the work force of Facility Management is because of "more efficient equipment and a change in the demand for services in certain areas of the University." However, nothing can be further from the truth; first of all, the efficiency of the equipment that is provided to the Facility Management employees is deteriorating. Because of a lack of timely repair, some equipment has been out of service for a long time. We are told that because of budget reductions, the equipment can not be replaced, either. Although we know that there is improvement in technology, the improved equipment have not touched GW ground yet.

In addition, the demand for services has increased because the University's purchase of new buildings. Instead of adding employees, the University has reduced the work force. This is creating a tremendous amount of work load and stress and has increased resentment of management. The employees are asking for a fair salary increase and job training that will lead to a better position (currently there is no system that allows employees to move up to a better position in Facilities Management), and to have more say how to do what we are doing, because no one knows how to work more efficiently than us. In general, what we are asking is to be treated fairly and to receive a genuine recognition that we are part of the GW community. For some strange reason, it is very difficult for the management to accept that we care about this institution, too. Although the work we do does not require a lot of skill, we are responsible people with different skills; thus, we deserve to be treated with respect.

I think the University should stop the pep talk for public relations and clean up the facility management mess. The employees need the support of the GW community; please show your support for fairness sake.

-T.F. Samuel,
facility management employee

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OPINION

GW phone directory neglects privacy rights

The Student Association should reconsider its policy to publish the names, addresses and telephone numbers of students enrolled at GW in the Student Telephone Directory. Undoubtedly, in years past, publication of such a directory served the purpose of providing a common reference guide for students to be able to locate each other easily for academic and social interaction and other laudable activities. Unfortunately, the current environment in this city and across the country is such that the security risk of publishing this information may outweigh the other good intentions of its publishers.

Most companies are aware of this risk and do not provide personal information about their employees to the public. Telephone companies allow account holders to specify whether they choose to be included in the published telephone directory. If the account holder chooses to be included, she may specify the appearance of her name in print, for example, excluding her first name from the listing or using only initials to represent her first name. Companies take such precautions because an individual should be allowed every opportunity to safeguard her privacy.

Protection of this privacy is of genuine concern, especially in this age of intense information exchange mechanisms. There are countless cases in which people use personal information for unlawful gain or some other ill intent. We only need to read the newspaper to hear of young women being stalked by irate ex-boyfriends, attackers posing as maintenance workers to access

apartments and groups giving/leasing/selling and mailing telephone lists to people and organizations who may or may not harbor good intentions. Other less dangerous, but incredibly annoying scenarios involve telemarketers who may call frequently, call at inconvenient times or pose as acquaintances by addressing callees by their first names. Included in these very pages every issue we may find a list of telephone harassment incidents reported by members of the GW community. Should we facilitate this assault on our privacy and security?

Students whose personal information is published are inadvertently put at increased risk to suffer from one of the above occurrences. Listing students without their express consent only serves to compound problems students face anyway. These include often traveling alone at odd or late hours and living in low-budget student or off-campus housing. Such housing is often less secure than "higher rent" accommodations, and residents tend to be more transient and thus less likely to know each other and to look out for one another.

Hopefully, most GW students are not trying to keep their whereabouts from a stalker. However, if someone were faced with this situation, how beneficial would it be to her for her complete name, her home phone number and her home address to be disclosed in this directory? Are the publishers of this directory obliged to be familiar with each student's personal situation to know whether disclosure of such information would be detrimental to her? Of course not.

Are they in the position to make this decision for her? Absolutely not.

The publishers of this directory should publish listings for only those students who indicate that they wish to be included in such a directory. Placing the burden on the student to take action if she does not want to be included in the directory is not a responsible policy on the part of the publishers. Disclosure by default is not acceptable.

Inside the cover of the Student Telephone Directory is a list of the SA powers and responsibilities, which includes protecting student rights and initiating and implementing projects to benefit the GW community. Providing a common directory to locate students may have been an exemplary model of one such service to the GW community at one time. However, in light of the current security and crime risks with which we all must contend, it is a disservice to stu-

dents to make public such information without a student's express consent. It is naive and unwise on the part of the SA to assume that such action does not violate a student's prerogative to safeguard her privacy and safety. The Student Association should seriously reconsider its approach to publishing the directory.

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Gelman Library is highly underrated

(from p. 4)

freshman class this year and the continuing larger sophomore class this year. There is no question that Gelman should support undergraduate research needs with its own collections, and the University administration is demonstrating its commitment by increasing funding for that support.

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Deborah C. Masters, Interim University librarian.

MORE LETTERS

No sympathy

The opinion piece in the Dec. 1 edition of The Hatchet ("Registering for classes is no walk in the park," p. 5) by Amy Caplan and Lisa Perlmutter is ridiculous. So, they had to get up early and get to the phone to register. So what? So, the computer crashed and they had to register by phone again. So what? This is nothing but the whining of overindulged freshmen. The University has made great strides in the registration system within the last six years. To those of us who have, for whatever reason, been here that long or longer, this system is a veritable godsend.

Prior to the introduction of the phone registration system, students had to register in person. This process was lengthy and exhausting. Yes, the freshmen registered last, as is usual, but instead of rolling out of the bed to the phone, they had to roll over to the Marvin Center. Upon arrival, all students went up to the third-

floor terrace and got in line. Students arrived at their assigned time or camped out the night before and waited.

After about six hours you finally arrived at the ballroom where you met with a customer service representative. Students were required to have their ideal schedule prepared and three alternatives in case the preferred class, which it usually was, was filled. After all of your information was verified, voilà, you were registered.

I don't mean to sound like those stories your grandparents tell: In my day, we walked to school 10 miles, uphill, both ways in the snow without shoes ... but whining about something like having to go through a phone tree is a little infantile. Besides, there are far more important things happening at this University to be upset about, like the cost of food, lack of space in the computer labs, the price tag, etc.

Katherine Henkline

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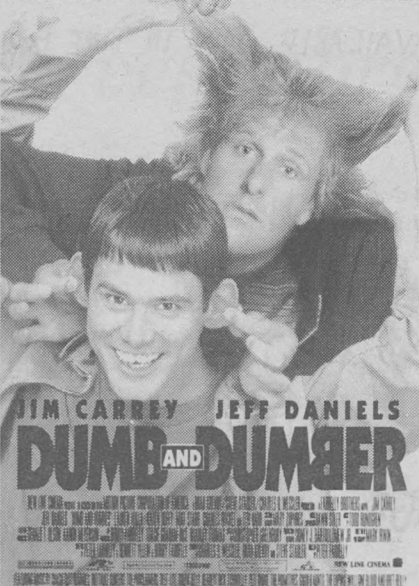
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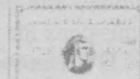
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Entertainment



The American Film Institute

Residents want fair rent if University buys Dakota

Students will stay in building if GW's price is right

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The University's offer to buy the luxury apartment building on F Street has made some of its residents unhappy. But others, including students who live there through GW, are thrilled with the proposal — if the price is kept in line with other residence halls.

More than 100 students already live in the Dakota, 2100 F St. N.W. The University rented space for 102 students to accommodate a larger-than-usual number of students seeking on-campus housing. In addition, some students have rented apartments in the Dakota without the help of the University.

GW Vice President and Treasurer Louis Katz confirmed the University's interest in the property. He said if GW can buy the building it would either become a residence hall or an apartments for GW students only.

Three types of people now live in the Dakota: non-students, students who sought an apartment there of their own volition and are considered off-campus; and students who got a room in the Dakota through the University and are classified as on-campus residents.

Graduate Assistant Alex Hartzler oversees the building's student residents who are considered living on campus for the Office of Campus Life.

Ninth-floor resident Melanie Figueroa praised the apartments for their amenities, including dishwashers, washers and dryers and cable television. She and her roommates also said they like the location.

But the students through GW pay more than the off-campus students.

"It seems like it's really expensive," Figueroa, a junior, said. "An apartment (elsewhere) probably would be cheaper."

Junior Theresa Sule and her three roommates, for instance, pay \$612 a person each month, including utilities, for their on-campus,

two-bedroom apartment in the Dakota.

Sophomore Cara Naylor and her three roommates live in a larger, off-campus Dakota apartment. She said they each pay \$436 a month.

The on-campus students admitted, however, that they knew what they were getting into pricewise when they signed their leases.

Naylor and Figueroa's roommate, Laikisha Jeffries, moved off campus for the same reason: they preferred not to live in the residence halls.

Naylor said she does not mind that the Dakota is almost all students. She had plans to move to a less expensive building even before the University's purchase offer.

Hartzler said not all Dakota residents share the sentiments of one non-student resident, who told

"It seems like it's really expensive. An apartment (elsewhere) probably would be cheaper."

-Melanie Figueroa

The GW Hatchet she was dissatisfied with the building now that is more than half occupied by students.

"In general, the building is very well-run," Hartzler said.

Stefanie Friel, a 1992 GW graduate, was one of those residents unhappy with the condition of the building once a larger number of students moved in.

Friel said in an interview Monday these problems would be solved if GW bought the building. She also said she felt bad for the on-campus residents who pay more than off-campus and non-students.

Friel also said in the Dec. 5 edition of The GW Hatchet that an excess of trash, broken exercise equipment in the workout room and evidence of students smoking marijuana in the hallways and stairwells never happened before those students moved in in late August.

Hartzler admitted it can be confusing to differentiate between on- and off-campus students. Hartzler called University Police only once to report a complaint about marijuana. But the residents of that apartment were not under his auspices, and the police could not search their apartment without probable cause.

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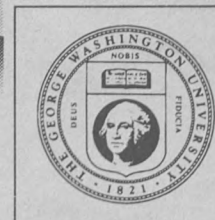
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Striking a philosophic pose

Multi-talented Milla Jovovich continues to branch out

BY BETH BUHOT
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Milla Jovovich — she's an actress, she's a super-model, she's a folk singer, she's a ... philosopher?

For those of us who remember her from *Return to the Blue Lagoon*, this may be surprising. Strangely, my encounter with the Russian-born star last Monday at the 9:30 Club felt more like a roundtable discussion than a press conference.

The performer started in show business when she was only eleven years old.

"My mom was a famous actress in Russia in the 1970s, and she definitely planted every seed in me. I was very lucky to have a mother who put all of her energy in to me," she recalls.

However, Milla doesn't seem to be phased by her success. In fact, she challenges the traditional definition of success by saying that we "... live in a world that makes a lot out of money, out of prestige, out of the car you drive, out of the clothes you have, out of the home you have. You think so much of these things because you are made to believe it."

She prefers a more spiritual definition of success. "There could be a golden medium where you could live with one foot in society and one foot in reality, and I say reality because this to me is reality, this world, but there's a another reality just as real as this."

Her biggest gripe with this reality?

"People don't know how to see anymore, just look ... Nothing is amazing, nothing is mysterious, there's nothing that we don't know. That's what we think. We don't know anything. We only use 8 percent of our minds."

Right now, Milla is using a great deal of her own 8 percent to write songs. While opening for Toad the Wet Sprocket, she and her band drafted some new

material.

"I try as much as possible to stay away from writing in a very story type of way," she says. "I try to get in touch as much as possible with my dreams, my emotions and try not to put an exact label on anything but try and elevate my words and my normal problems."

On stage at the 9:30 Club, Milla seemed to embody all of her disparate aspirations. Her stage presence was theatrical. When not occupied with her acoustic guitar, she flailed around the stage. Her facial expressions were both playful and revealing; she seemed to strike a pose at the end of each number. Her lyrics, bites of whimsical philosophy, were delivered with passion.

One the whole, her music could best be described as folk with a new age twist.

Among the highlights was "In a Glade," a traditional Russian folk song. The piece was magical and flowing. Her voice seemed to cater to its meandering. The rich, authentic instrumentation was accentuated by the use of a dulcimer.

Also notable was "Charlie," a song which incorporated the influence of traditional Celtic music into a modern format.

However, as the show progressed, many of the songs, especially the new material, seemed to blur together. There was little change in the tempo or flavor of the tunes. One of the greatest drawbacks is that it was often difficult to understand the lyrics, which were often the only factors that differed greatly from song to song.

Her commercial success seems questionable at this point. In a market that seems to value noise-driven hard rock, teen angst and gangsta rap, a folksy chanteuse may come up against some tough obstacles.

But, being just a few weeks short of 19 years old, and with three or four "hobbies" to fall back on, it's doubtful that she's worried.



photo by Herbert Migdoll

Deborah Dawn portrays the Sugar Plum Fairy in the Joffrey Ballet's production of the *Nutcracker* at the Kennedy Center.

Visions of sugar plums dancing on the stage

BY ROBYN SIMMONS
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

A Christmas without "The Nutcracker" would be as bland as one without cheesy carols, Handel's "Messiah" and Salvation Army Santa's ringing their bells at every corner. Thanks to the Joffrey Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker," the Christmas season is as bright and happy as it should be.

The Joffrey, considered one of the best ballet companies in the world, opened its Washington run of the famous holiday ballet in the Kennedy Center last night to a packed crowd.

The production, was conceived and directed by Robert Joffrey with Gerald Arpino as the artistic director, is inspired by the original 1892 production of the story and is set to Tchaikovsky's original score.

The age-old classic Christmas story is set in 1850s America on Christmas Eve. At their holiday party, young Clara (Rita Martinez) and her brother Fritz (Calvin Kitten) receive presents from their magical Godfather Drosselmeyer (Adam Sklute) and his nephew (Tom Mossbrucker). Clara's present, a nutcracker, becomes her pride and joy.

That night Clara goes downstairs to retrieve the nutcracker and witnesses a spectacular battle between life-size mice and the toy soldiers.

After good overcomes evil the Nutcracker wins a kiss from Clara turning it into the Nutcracker Prince, played by Mossbrucker. Thus begins Clara's trip into the magical world, where she is joined by Godfather Drosselmeyer and the Nutcracker Prince.

Scene III, which takes place in the Land of Snow elicits awe. Smoke machines and flurries of flakes turn the stage into a winter wonderland. The dancing in this scene is also first-rate (as it is throughout the show) with Kitten stealing the scene as the Snow Prince.

Superb dancing brings oohs and ahhs during the famous dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy (Meg Gurin, Deborah Dawn). The dancer looks like a pirouetting ballerina in a little girl's jewelry box and brings Tchaikovsky's music to life.

Another indelible image is the 14-foot Mother Ginger puppet, whose enormous skirt opens to reveal oodles of pastel-clad Polichinelles, played by some of the 65 adorable Washington schoolchildren who appeared throughout the show. Coupled with sights including a giant rocking horse and a huge hot air balloon, it is obvious that this is a fanciful performance that will delight viewers of all ages.

"The Nutcracker" runs through December 17th at the Kennedy Center Opera House.

Snipes again drops crime rate

High-flying new action movie is just believable enough

BY CLAIRE DUGGAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Tired of action-adventure movies that are so unrealistic that you'd buy into the concept of the Tooth Fairy before you believed their plots?

Well, *Drop Zone*, Wesley Snipes' latest film, doesn't quite grasp the evidently unobtainable goal of a realistic action flick, but it's a pretty good try. Details like guns conveniently running out of ammunition, and other such coincidences are just too much for the average person to accept. What the story lacks in believability however, it makes up for in other aspects such as good suspense and intense fighting scenes.

Snipes plays the role of Pete Nessim, a U.S. marshal who with

his brother, Terry (Malcolm-Jamal Warner), gets a special assignment to escort computer hacker Earl Leedy (Michael Jeter) to a new prison.

Without Leedy's knowledge, a small group of renegade criminals (also expert skydivers), led by Ty Moncrief (the scary-looking Gary Busey), plan to abduct the computer genius off a commercial airliner.

If this scenario sounds all too familiar it is because it has already been used in *Passenger 57*, Snipes' other movie about bad guys rescuing convicts from police escorts on airplanes.

During the kidnapping, Terry dies in an explosion on the plane. To make matters more complicated, the FBI believes it was merely a terrorist attack, and all suspects died during the explosion. Pete,

however, believes otherwise and now has a personal vendetta against the kidnappers.

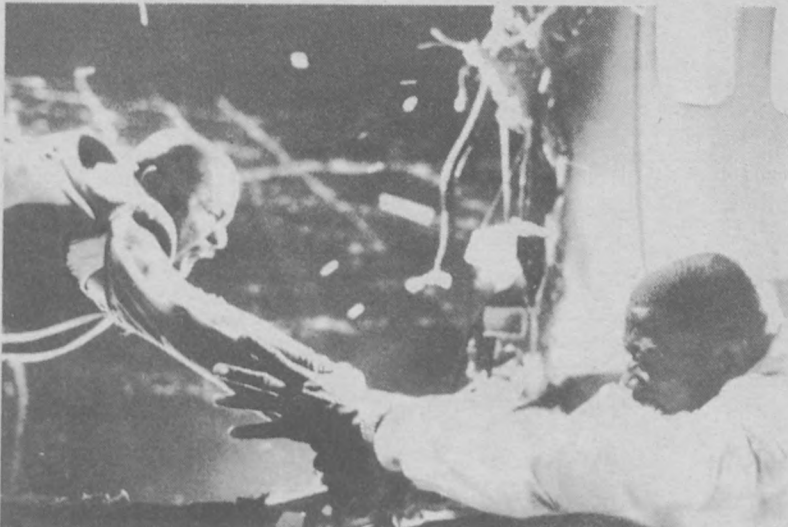
The kidnappers escape and now have Leedy's talents to go ahead with their scheme — one which discloses the identities of undercover law enforcement officers in exchange for large sums of money. Pete has a plan to find them but must first befriend Jessie Crossman (Yancy Butler) and her team of expert skydivers to be able to go undercover in the elite and dangerous world of skydiving.

One of the members of Jessie's team, Swoop (Kyle Secor), is a hilarious freak who steals the show at times with his pranks and odd sense of humor. Snipes' character also is funny. Together they make the movie extremely comical.

Director / executive producer John Badham (who also produced such movies as *Saturday Night Fever* and *War Games*) does an exceptional job of capturing challenging skydiving scenes on film. He also successfully accomplished his goal of showing people a genuine view of the world of exhibition skydiving. (Whatever the hell that is, it obviously involves the yin-yang opposition of good and evil parachutists.)

Unlike some movies, *Drop Zone* leaves no loose ends. Add this to a pretty stimulating plot, funny characters, and an original concept (skydiving criminals), *Drop Zone* is better than your average action-adventure movie.

Now if only the writers could eliminate any details that make one's suspension of disbelief work overtime, then *Drop Zone* would be an even better movie.



Pete Nessim (Wesley Snipes, r.) and his brother Terry (Malcolm-Jamal Warner) hang on for dear life in *Drop Zone*.

SPOTLIGHT

SPOTLIGHT ON...



Courtesy Glamour
Danielle Dobin
Glamour Girls

If you're not only glamorous but a female junior at GW, you could be one of *Glamour* magazine's 1995 Top 10 College Women.

Glamour magazine is holding the annual competition, now in its 38th year, to honor students that "exhibit leadership experience, personal involvement in community and campus affairs, and academic excellence," according to a statement.

Winners from the competition appear in October 1995's edition of *Glamour* as and receive a cash prize.

One of *Glamour*'s 1994 Top 10 College Women was GW's own Danielle Dobin, a senior majoring in political communications.

Applications are due January 31. Contact *Glamour* at (800) 244-4526, or e-mail the magazine at GlamourMag@aol.com with "college" as the subject.



Beverly Lowry
Writing for the People

Creative non-fiction is opened up to the community via the 1995 Jenny McKean Moore Fund for Writers workshop.

Beverly Lowry, a creative writing professor and the 1994-95 Jenny McKean Moore Writer in Washington, hosts the workshop, which is free and open to the public - but not to GW or consortium school students. The workshop is also not open to people who previously participated in more than one of the Jenny McKean Moore Fund Free Workshops.

Those interested must submit a five to 10 page sample of a personal essay as well as a brief personal history, address, and home and work telephone numbers. Applications must be received by January 6 and can be sent to: Creative Non-fiction workshop, Department of English, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C. 20052.

- Erin McLaughlin



Future of feminism evokes emotion

BY ERIN McLAUGHLIN
FEATURES EDITOR

It was sister against sister at Wednesday night's fiery "Firing Line" debate. With some members of Wednesday television program say the feminist movement has gone off track.

The public television show "Firing Line" continued its Marvin Center run with the issue "Resolved: The Women's Movement Has Been Disastrous." Two panels, one affirmative and the other negative, argued the issue at the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, which was filled with a diverse groups ranging from the Young Americans for Freedom to feminists cheering and hissing as the show progressed.

The panel agreeing with the argument was led by conservative

William F. Buckley. Those arguing against the argument were headed by Betty Friedan, author of *The Feminist Mystique*, published in 1963, who more recently wrote *The Fountain of Age*.

The debate ranged from political correctness in the English language to public policy legislation.

Buckley began by speaking of how political correctness is a nuisance. He gave examples of feminists who want to be addressed as "spokespersons" instead of "spokesmen" as the length and triviality the movement has taken.

Friedan disagreed, using herself as an example. "I am a feminist, but I am not politically correct ... Feminism has got to have diversity."

Buckley continued, "the affirmation of rights became a night-

mare we now designate as a disaster."

Opposing panelist and author Camille Paglia disagrees. "Essentially, feminism remains one of the great progressive movements of the 20th century." Paglia said, as the other four women on the negative side of the panel do, that all groups have fanatics and some feminists have gone too far.

Paglia blamed the focus of women's movement on the "silly" or "radical" women's studies types on college campuses, as well as on the media, which she describes as having a liberal bias.

On the affirmative side, Arianna Huffington, the outspoken wife of former California Senate hopeful Michael Huffington, said the quality of women's lives have not improved since the feminist

movement began. Huffington said women "may be less depressed because they are on so many drugs" such as Prozac.

Karen Burstein, former New York family court judge, legislator and activist said the women's movement is a continuous process and it should not be classified as a "failure."

"(Women) have been able to have a voice," Burstein said. She pointed to women's activism as to what brought about the 19th amendment, giving women the right to vote.

Friedan, often called the "god-mother" of modern feminism said even if feminism is divided and imperfect she still has pride for what she has done. "People come up to you and they say 'you changed my life.' How do I really feel? I feel proud and awed."

Read this and put off the inevitable

BY KAREN D. ANCILLAI
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Procrastination is a beautiful thing. It is a little known fact that some of the greatest feats in the history of the world have been accomplished as a result of procrastination.

Christopher Columbus was actually supposed to be writing a paper for his "Methods of Navigation" class when he decided to go on his little cruise around the world. The professor only agreed to pass him because Columbus brought back a really fine gold paperweight from the New World.

Newton, the man who brought us gravity, had a physics exam that day when he was out lying under an apple tree.

Incredible achievements are made every day in colleges and universities across the nation as a result of procrastination. To procrastinate actual important tasks students have done everything from writing a three page, typed, double-spaced, with footnotes, thank-you-letter-to-Grandma-for-the-care-package-you-sent-freshman year to doing laundry for the entire floor, by hand, in the bathtub.

The University is even considering awarding the construction contract for the new residence hall to a group of graduate students putting off their senior theses.

With the official start of finals only five days away, however, now is the time to stop procrastinating. Or at least start thinking about putting a stop to the procrastinating. Then you

can think about more important issues, like alphabetizing something in your room, anything in your room.

Once you actually beat the great time-sucking monster, though, you will most likely panic at the realization of all the work you need to do to prepare for exams. The discovery may send you into a coma-like state in which you think you are a Barbie doll, and making you want to spend all day talking to Ken and Skipper on the Dream Phone. If so, you will probably need some coping mechanisms to get you through not only the next week but the pile of work sitting on your desk. Here are a few suggestions:

- Set studying goals and reward yourself when you attain them.

For example: I will read 40,000 pages in political science and then I will watch a movie with my friends. If you make these plans with fellow procrastinators, do beware that watching *Star Wars* may lead to a desperate need to watch the entire trilogy, followed by a heated discussion of whether George Lucas will ever make another film in the series.

- Call home often. Nothing is more calming than a talk with the parental unit about what's going down on the homefront. If mom and dad annoy you during the conversation, you may get inspired to do some work so you can stay at college and get a job after graduation rather than having to move back in with them. It also may be helpful to call them while crying and in a panicked state, because if your grade point average does turn out to be on the near negative

side they may have pity when recalling when their weepy, little baby called because the big, bad college was giving them stress.

- Be sure to sleep. No matter how much work you have to do, rest is important in keeping your mind fresh, functioning, and lodged firmly between your ears. Sure it seems like you should stay up all night to study for that environmental biology final, but if you don't at least take a catnap before it you will probably be delirious come time for the test. You'll end up going off on a tangent about the value of Smokey the Bear and his environmental teachings in your essay worth 70 points.

- Scream. Ask any 2 year old, few methods of relaxation can compare to the satisfaction of letting out a blood-curdling yell. Just be sure not to attempt it in your room once 24-hour quiet hours begin or in one of Gelman's so-called "quiet areas." The University Yard is a dandy spot for screaming, especially at night. You might even get an audience if University Police shows up to find out what all the ruckus is about. Follow up your screaming with a brisk run amuck around campus. Clothing is optional.

- Take a big break after some solid work and impersonate the tourists in your own city. Washington is a magical place around the holidays, and you should revel in it before returning home this December.

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Stillman submitted the research to the medical center's review board in May, which required the doctors to get the consent of the egg and sperm donors.

The University's most recent statement confirmed that "informed consent was not obtained."

Hall told NPR he "stands by a statement he made April 14 of this year" in which he said his supervisors told him research on abnormal embryos does not require research

approval.

NIH spokesman Don Ralbovsky said Wednesday that the NIH "is satisfied with GWU's report on this." He explained that the nonviable embryos are "subject to the same human protections" as other human tissue used in experiments.

A federal panel last week suggested that the NIH begin funding human embryo research. But President Clinton said the government would not pay for creating human embryos solely for experiments, The Washington Post reported.

University hopes to ease stress of housing crunch

(from p. 1)

Next year, the RHA will also be better prepared to deal with the situation if all of the students do not receive housing on the day of the lottery, Cleary said. Last year, he said the housing shortage "caught the RHA by surprise."

"Now we are going to be planning for the worst case scenario," Cleary explained. "We will generate a housing list (the day of the lottery) which guarantees students a spot."

He said the RHA will set up a timeline with each student which will ensure them housing by a certain time. He added the housing process will be more organized, and most students will be placed in rooms by the end of June.

Cleary said he predicts the University will have less of a housing shortage problem next year because a great number of seniors currently living on campus will be graduating. GW also may acquire the Dakota apartment building.

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Senate passes bill again on JCFS representation

BY SHANNON JOYCE
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The Student Association Senate passed a bill again clarifying student representation to the Faculty Senate at their last meeting of the semester on Tuesday.

SA President Al Park had vetoed the bill because he objected to a section stating that at least two of the seven student seats on the Joint Committee of Faculty and Students must be filled by SA senators.

Park said the section "violated the appointment power of the executive branch." The SA Constitution states that the president is in charge of making all appointments, and his recommendations are subject only to approval by the Senate. The bill would have limited this power, Park said.

However, Park reinforced the fact that he liked the legislation overall. The bill provided guidelines for the president and Senate to choose JCFS representatives and required the committee to submit a regular report of its activities to the Senate.

Undergraduate Sen. Scott Mory (CCGSAS), who sponsored the bill, said he felt the bill was "not worth pursuing if the consti-

tutionality" was in question. But graduate Sen. Matt Labovich (SBPM) suggested the bill be resubmitted without the section to which Park objected. The section was struck from the bill, and it then passed unanimously.

In other Senate business, freshman Sens. Jonathan Pompan and Elizabeth Alexander submitted a resolution to form a food service commission. Pompan said the commission would investigate "pricing, quality, service, nutritional value and any other area" of GW's dining services.

Pompan said they want to form the commission because many students have complaints about the food service on campus. He added that it is difficult for students to obtain information on the services, Pompan said.

Undergraduate Sen. Mark Reynolds (CCGSAS), chair of the Student Life Committee, will write the constitution for the Transfer Resource Program. The program will provide academic and social programs for transfer students.

Graduate Sen. Jon Barrios (NLC) submitted his resignation Tuesday. The Senate announced no plans to solicit applications for a replacement. Barrios is the third senator to resign this fall.

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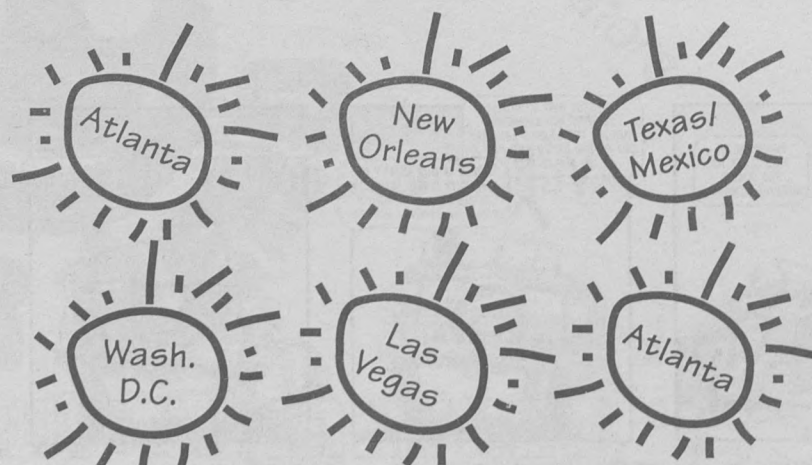
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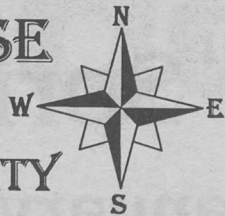


For more information stop by Marvin Center 418 or the ECM Office, 2131 G Street or call Annie 994-6554, Laureen 676-6434, or Edna 973-7668.

The Hatchet staff wishes you a safe
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Groups: police costs unfair

BY KAREN DALY
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The familiar presence of University Police officers at student-sponsored events has forced some student organizations to look at the costs of this rule.

Student groups are required to hire police officers to insure safety at their events, but at \$25 dollars an hour for each officer, the pricetag for some groups is a major burden.

The topic of the Marvin Center's policy of event security arose at a recent leadership breakfast attended by student organization leaders, according to senior Richard Carter, president of the Black Peoples' Union.

The BPU has been required to have at least four officers at its social events this year, which are typically attended by at least 200 students, Carter said.

UPD Director Dolores Stafford said requiring security at campus events was a "standard practice" and she did not know of a college or university that did not have such a policy.

Stafford said UPD has a standard protocol for events held at Lisner Auditorium, the Marvin Center and the Smith Center, but security for student-sponsored events is decided on an event-by-event basis.

Members of some student groups, however, said they were not subject to the security requirement.

"We've never had to deal with it," College Republicans President Lawrence McNamara said. McNamara, a junior, said the CRs sponsor both political and social events, including a spring barbecue and a winter social. He estimated that attendance was usually between 50 and 75 students.

Senior David Cleary, president of the Residence Hall Association, said the RHA did not to provide security for its Suitcase Party, attended by about 100 students. He added that the RHA does have security at Martha's Marathon, because of the large amount of money present.

"It seems like robbing Peter to pay Paul," because the University provides student organizations with funds that they then pay back to the University for security at events, Cleary said.

Gee Lee, senior and president of the Asian Student Alliance, objected to the cost of the officers. For a dance party his group sponsored on Nov. 3, attended by about 250 students, the ASA was required to hire three officers at \$25 each an hour, Lee said. He added that the Marvin Center paid for the first officer, so the ASA was actually only charged for two.

The number of officers assigned to an event is determined by the expected attendance, if non-GW people will be admitted, if alcohol is served and several other "crowd control and public safety" factors, Stafford said.

"I'm not really comfortable with it," Gee Lee said. "I believe the University already pays for them (UPD) to do their duty. I don't understand the cost of paying them \$25 an hour."

"Our organization doesn't have the money to pay for additional expenses (like security)," Lee said. He added that the ASA, like other student groups, has to deal with cuts in funding from the Student Association and limited availability of other funds.

"If we do event security, we have to pull someone in on an overtime basis," Stafford said. She added that funding for special events is not included in her department's budget. The \$25 an hour pay for UPD officers is based on their overtime rate, which is typically time and a half.

Kurt Gallagher, president of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance, said the LGBA was required to hire four officers for security at its Halloween Ball. The attendance at the ball was about 60 people, but the security had been based on projected attendance.

"It's an added expense we'd prefer not to have," Gallagher said. "However, someone has to pay for it. It's fair to require only the student groups who need the security to pay for it."

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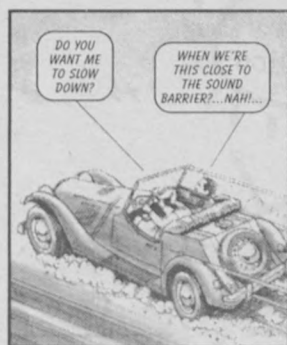
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J Street goes plastic to cut costs, thefts

Patrons who carry out from J Street Express will take their food out in plastic bags, because of a recent decision by dining services designed to cut costs and prevent thefts.

Plastic bags are cheaper than paper bags, Vincent Yukevich, senior food service director said. "That was the main decision. We had some usage problems in that area, mostly just high-inventory usage," he said.

Yukevich said that student dishonesty was not a major factor in the decision. "It's not uncommon to use plastic bags," he said. "We would not want to offend someone by asking to see in a bag. I myself would find it offensive to be asked what is in my bag."

However, dining services management said dishonesty is still an issue at J Street.

"I think there are some situations that some folks are unaware of, such as using the small water cups to drink soda," General Manager George Cushman said. "That leads to higher prices, which, of course, is what we're all trying to avoid."

However, Cushman said he thought most GW students were honest. "It's always the few who ruin it for the many," he added.

Most students had no objection to the decision. Student Association Executive Vice President Scott Slifka said most decisions at J Street are done for cost reasons.

"I'm sure in the past some people have put three donuts in one bag, saying they have one, but I don't think it's a major problem," Slifka said.

He added that the SA is organizing a student committee to deal specifically with issues relating to J Street.

-Jim Geraghty

Rice Hall employee attacked

A GW employee was attacked and robbed allegedly by her ex-boyfriend after leaving her Rice Hall office last Tuesday, police said.

University Police said the woman was attacked in front of the President apartment building, 2129 I St., about 5:20 p.m. Nov. 29. The woman said her ex-boyfriend threw her against a car and to the ground.

The man then allegedly stole the woman's purse, which contained \$30, house and car keys and credit cards, UPD Director Dolores Stafford said. He left driving a light green Ford Tempo rental car.

The woman claimed the man had repeatedly harassed her at work and said she had a "stay-away" order against him, Stafford said. However, the order was apparently inside the stolen purse.

The woman had minor injuries but refused immediate medical attention, Stafford said.

Metropolitan Police reduced the charges against the man from robbery to simple assault and theft because of the "domestic" nature of the incident, Stafford said.

-Donna Brutkoski

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The roundtable discussion is part of the Kalb Report on Public Policy and the Press. The discussion will be moderated by GW Visiting Professor Marvin Kalb.

The event is free and open to the public at The Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. The broadcast will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets may be obtained at Marvin Center 204 or by calling (202) 994-6467 or 994-6463.

The following crimes were reported to University Police between Nov. 30 and Dec. 5:

Thefts

- Fungler Hall, Dec. 1. A GW employee reported the theft of \$10 from her car, which was parked in the parking garage. There were no signs of forced entry.
- Gelman Library, Dec. 1. A GW student reported the theft of her wallet. The wallet contained credit cards and ID.
- Marvin Center, Dec. 2. A GW student reported the theft of her backpack - containing school sup-

NEWS BRIEFS

Students help out Adams Morgan businesses

A group of graduate students in the School of Business and Public Management joined Adams Morgan businesses in forming an initiative to improve private enterprise in that neighborhood.

The students will present their findings on how the establishments can improve sales and services at a press conference Dec. 8, according to a statement. District officials, including Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly, have been invited to attend.

The research was conducted in conjunction with the Las Americas Avenue Development Corporation, a group that promotes Hispanic achievement in business.

Professor departs GW for Georgetown

Christopher Joyner, a professor in the political science department, will leave at the end of the semester to take a teaching position at Georgetown University.

Joyner, a specialist in international law, has taught at GW since 1981.

Political science chair Lee Sigelman said Joyner's position will likely not be filled until the year after next. "Faculty searches tend to take about a year or so," he said.

However, Sigelman said Joyner's classes "will be taught."

Joyner could not be reached for comment.

-Donna Bruthoski and Jim Geraghty

CRIMELOG

Harassment

• Milton Hall, Dec. 3. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.

• Mitchell Hall, Dec. 3. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.

• Mitchell Hall, Dec. 2. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.

• Thurston Hall, Dec. 1. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.

plies and ID.

• Marvin Center, Dec. 1. A GW student reported the theft of her wallet - containing ID and \$16 - from the first floor.

• Thurston Hall, Dec. 4. A resident reported the theft of miscellaneous items valued at \$260 from her third-floor room.

• University Inn, Dec. 4. A GW employee reported the theft of a power strip and \$10 from her office on the first floor.

• University Inn, Dec. 1. A GW employee reported the theft of her wallet - containing credit cards, ID and \$50 - from the third floor.

Smoking may be banned, except in residence halls

from p. 1

The issue of smoking in residence halls "is a case of personal freedom," Eftis said. "In a sense, we would be saying that you can't smoke in your own home," he said, adding that this would be unacceptable to the Senate.

Student Association Executive Vice President Scott Slifka said the SA Senate passed a resolution last year calling for a smoke-free University. The resolution called for a ban in all buildings leased or owned by the University except in private living quarters, Slifka said.

Smoking is already prohibited

in J Street, GW's major dining facility. George Cushman, dining services general manager, said the ban has not been much of a problem.

"At the beginning of the year there was some concern, but lately I haven't heard anything," Cushman said.

The next step for the Faculty Senate will be to draft a resolution on the smoking ban. The resolution will need to be approved by the Senate's executive committee and then by the entire Senate before moving on to administrators' desks.

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SPORTS

Colonial Women host, harass Hoyas

BY KYNAN KELLY
SPORTS EDITOR

The GW women's basketball team (3-0) abandoned its sloppy play in New Orleans and came out sharp and sure of itself Wednesday night, thumping cross-town rival Georgetown University, 94-58.

The No. 18 Colonial Women made their non-exhibition debut at the Smith Center before a fired-up home crowd of 1,262, the ninth largest to ever see a women's game at GW. The fans were treated to a shooting bonanza, as GW exhibited an uncanny, Duke-like ability to sink most of the shots it put up in the first half.

The Hoyas won last year's contest at McDonough Arena 86-69 as Georgetown's Nadira Ricks and

Tricia Penderghast exploded for 20 points each. With Ricks lost to graduation and GW enjoying the hot hand, this year the game was out of reach for the Hoyas with only 10 minutes gone.

GW controlled the game from the outset, bursting out to a 24-6 advantage on the strength of hot shooting from Debbie Hemery and Darlene Saar and tenacious team defense. The Colonial Women led by as much as 39 as they cruised to the victory.

GW now leads the series 12-9, but the Hoyas had won the last two meetings. Revenge and the importance of the rivalry was on the minds of the Colonial Women.

"I know, for me, it's one of the most important games on our schedule, just because I don't think we should have lost to them ever," Hemery said. "I think we're a much better team than them (and have been) for four years I've been here, and I think we proved it tonight."

Georgetown was hurt by cold shooting - 26 percent from the field - and 27 turnovers. In addition, GW's height advantage contributed to the victory, as the Colonial Women out rebounded Georgetown 56-50. Abraham led all players with 14.

Hemery shot six of 10 and Saar hit six of eight from the field as the All-America candidate duo combined for 28 points to help GW pull

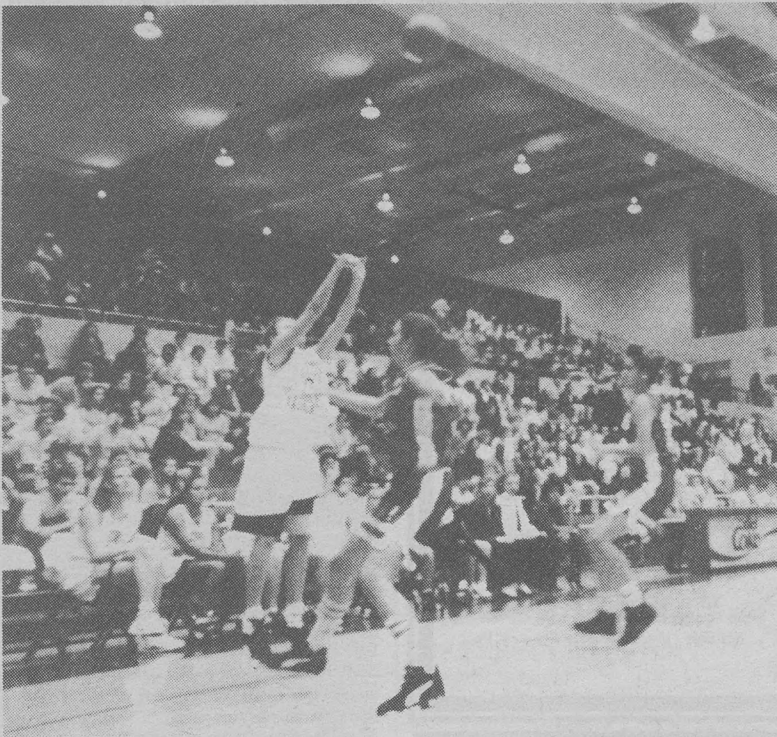


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Debbie Hemery lets fly from three-point range. She and Darlene Saar each scored 26 points to propel GW past Georgetown, 94-58.

away in the first half. Saar hit both her three-point attempts, and finished the game four of four from three-point territory, as the Colonial Women led the Hoyas 54-24 at halftime. GW's 54 points is the second-highest total ever scored by the team in a half.

Point guard Colleen McCrea excelled, tallying a double-double with 12 points and 14 assists, which ties her for the GW assist record with Kristin McArdle.

Abraham scored 10 points, grabbed 14 boards and had five

blocks, despite being whistled three times for traveling.

Georgetown head coach Patrick Knapp was charged a technical for striding out to midcourt at 2:16 of the first half.

"With the schools being five minutes away from each other, there's a certain pride that each team takes, and I now he takes a lot of pride in his club as we do here," head coach Joe McKeown said. "When things aren't going your way, I don't know how he felt, but I felt that way last year."

GW 94, Georgetown 58									
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McCrea	34	4-7	2-2	1-6	2	12	Hemery	35	11-22
Hemery	35	11-22	3-6	1-2	3	26	Atcher	3	1-2
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Neville	16	2-4	1-2	3-4	1	5	Cornigiano	5	0-1
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Duke blasts GW until it's blue in the face

BY JARED SHER
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The Colonial basketball team three weeks ago stormed into Manley Field House and stunned then No. 12 Syracuse University before a nationwide television audience.

GW tried to repeat history Tuesday night against No. 9 Duke University at Cameron Indoor Stadium, but was rebuked, 103-73, at the hands of the national powerhouse.

The Blue Devils never trailed while routing the Colonials before 9,314 "Cameron Crazyes" - the

long-standing name of Duke's fans - in Durham, N.C. Duke crushed GW under a barrage of three-point bombs, leaving the Colonials gasping before they knew what hit them.

GW trailed by seven no fewer than three minutes into the contest. The Blue Devils extended the deficit to 21 less than nine minutes in. They bombed the Colonials from all over the court, hitting from long range seemingly at will. By the end of the first half, Duke led by 30, propelled by 65 percent shooting.

Forward Cherokee Parks dominated the game from the opening minutes, using his muscular 6-11

frame to gain the advantage inside throughout the first half. Parks kept GW off balance by moving behind the three-point stripe and consistently hitting from outside.

Parks had 19 points in just 14 first-half minutes. The senior nailed eight of nine shots from the floor, including a perfect three for three from downtown.

Parks' domination opened up the floor for the Blue Devils, who outran GW at both ends. The Colonials suffered from a stingy-Duke defense and fell behind early, forcing them to try to make up the deficit rather than stick to their game plan.

Duke turned a few GW turnovers into 16 points and used a 27-12 rebounding advantage to fast-break at every opportunity. The Colonials could not compete.

GW was short-handed to begin with, as starting point guard Omo Moses did not even make the trip. Moses sprained his ankle in practice Monday and is expected to miss GW's next game, a Sunday contest at the University of Richmond.

The Blue Devils cruised to a 30-point halftime lead as they made shot after shot throughout the first half. The 61-31 cushion was more than enough to handcuff the Colonials.

Duke picked up right where it left off when the second half began. Guard Trajan Langdon came off the bench to spark the Blue Devils with a pair of long jumpers from the right wing, allowing them to extend their lead to 36.

GW fought back, trying to make the game respectable. Forward

Nimbo Hammons (22 points) paced the Colonials on a 12-0 run. GW cut the lead to 84-60 with just under nine minutes to play, but Duke reinserted its starters and the gap grew with GW once again unable to keep pace.

The Blue Devils shooting show continued until the final buzzer, as Langdon and Carmen Wallace nailed another pair of three-pointers with the clock winding down.

There were few bright moments for the Colonials, who fell to 5-2 and snapped a three-game winning streak. GW was unable to run with Duke and could not slow the game down as Duke continued to rack up the points.

The Colonials consistently missed easy shots and appeared flustered against the high-powered Blue Devils. Antoine Hart (16 points, six rebounds) missed a slam-dunk attempt, Vaughn Jones struggled with his short-range jumpers and Alexander Koul missed offensive put-backs.

Duke 103, GW 73									
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	Duke	MIN	FG
Hammons	39	5-12	10-12	1-5	2	22	Price	20	3-8
Hart	31	8-17	0-1	2-6	1	16	Parks	27	12-15
Koul	26	4-13	1-2	2-6	5	9	Meek	23	3-5
Evans	26	6-17	1-2	2-4	4	14	Capel	24	5-9
Jones	36	4-13	2-2	2-4	1	10	Wojciechowski	20	1-2
Williams	7	1-1	0-0	0-1	1	2	Langdon	20	6-9
Calloway	14	0-4	0-0	1-2	1	0	Newton	19	3-6
Green	7	0-1	0-2	0-0	0	0	Blakeney	20	3-7
Wise	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	0	Collins	13	1-4
Swindov	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	Moore	11	0-2
Hazzard	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	Wallace	3	1-1
TOTALS	200	28-78	14-21	17-32	18	73	TOTALS	200	38-66
Duke	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS			
Price	20	3-8	0-0	1-2	1	7			
Parks	27	12-15	2-4	3-6	3	29			
Meek	23	3-5	6-7	2-6	3	12			
Capel	24	5-9	1-2	2-4	4	12			
Wojciechowski	20	1-2	0-0	0-2	1	3			
Langdon	20	6-9	1-2	0-5	2	17			
Newton	19	3-6	1-2	2-6	2	7			
Blakeney	20	3-7	0-0	2-6	3	7			
Collins	13	1-4	0-0	0-2	0	2			
Moore	11	0-2	4-4	3-4	0	4			
Wallace	3	1-1	0-1	0-0	0	3			
TOTALS	200	38-66	15-22	16-52	19	103			

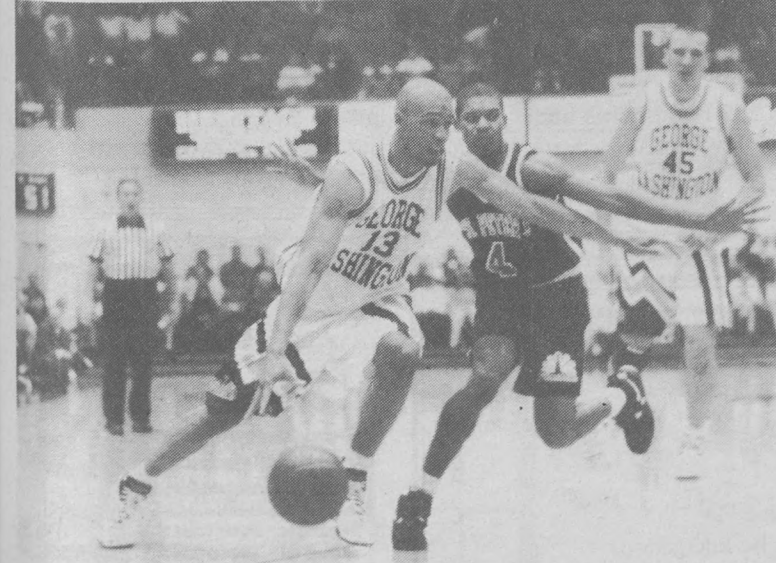


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Nimbo Hammons (#13) cuts past a St. Peter's defender as Alexander Koul backs him up last Saturday.

Mark my words ...

**Don't duck, Koul!
It's just Duke
and the Cameron
Crazies!**

National television has a funny way of bringing out the best in people. And the worst. Such was the case Tuesday night with the GW men's basketball team.

The Colonials were making their fourth ESPN appearance in just six games, twice as many as last year's entire season. Come to think of it, they're on television more than O.J. Simpson. Pretty soon, they're going to have their own time slot. Then they can compete with the Seinfelds of the airwaves for most comic performance.

To be honest, nobody could have beaten the Blue Devils Tuesday. They were simply, in the words of Marv Albert, on fire. Officials should be alerted to the necessity of the Foggy Bottom Fire Station. GW could have used it in Durham.

Led by the illustrious Cherokee Parks, who apparently put a down payment on some skills, Duke was so far ahead so quickly, you might have thought the Colonials missed their flight. For all intents and purposes, they did. This was clearly not the same team that stunned Syracuse three weeks earlier.

Parks seemed to hit everything he threw up Tuesday night. He may have taken lessons recently from Alexander Koul. The Belarussian rookie hit 13 of 14 last weekend against South Carolina State. Parks hit 12 of 15 against GW.

Speaking of Koul, how about his response to the "Cameron Crazyes" when he fouled out with five minutes left? With GW still down by 24, Koul could have gone over and sat down, nursing his pride and resting with the knowledge that there was nothing more he could do.

Koul, however, stood tall in the face of the rowdy crowd which made it their goal to shower the freshman with a serenade of boos. They waved at him and tried to get him to sit down, attempting to get him to realize his night was done.

The center just stood there, oblivious to the whims of the spastic fans who moved their arms frantically, trying to be seen. At least ESPN saw them, going so far as to elaborate on the situation and coming to the conclusion that Koul just did not understand what they wanted. They even showed Koul's interpreter on TV, as if that would somehow make Koul comprehend.

What none of them realized is that Koul just did not want to sit down. His team was in the midst of a crushing loss and he was not going to just sit down and relax. Rather, Koul stood, glaring with his intent stare, angrily waiting for the rout to finally end. His perseverance is commendable, if for no other reason than because he got the focus off the depressing action on the court.

-Jared Sher

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